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Let Me Tell You About Radon!

"Hey Girlfriend..."



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"Do you know lung cancer kills more women than any other cancer?"¹

"No! I'm not a smoker though, but hey, have you heard about radon?"

"Yes, can you believe it? According to the Surgeon General, radon is the second leading cause of lung cancer."

"Really? I've heard of radon, but what is it?"

"Radon is a form of radiation that builds up in homes. It comes naturally from the soil. But it's no problemo! All you have to do is test your home."

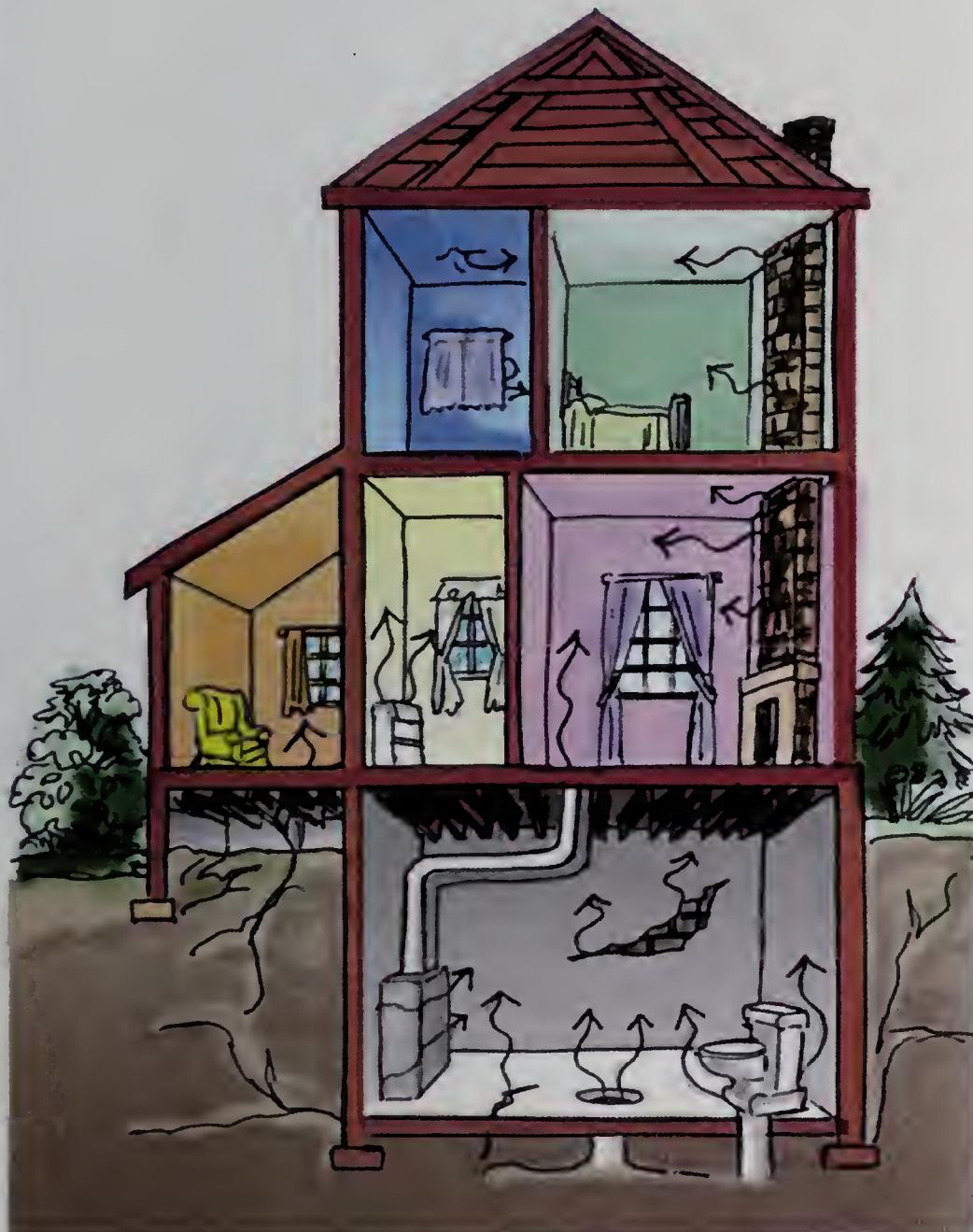


You as a woman can take action!

Testing for radon is easy and inexpensive. Testing is the only way to know if you have a high radon level in your home.

The potential hazard of high levels of radon gas exists in new homes, old homes, two-story homes and one-story homes. All homes, located anywhere in the state, should be tested for radon.

¹ www.lungcancer.org



"I've tested my home, you should too."

"Where do you obtain test kits?"



Test kits may be available at your county health department, local extension office, hardware store, or home improvement store.



What does the test mean?

Radon results will be sent directly to you after completing your test. If your home has radon (4.0 pCi/L or more) the Illinois Emergency Management Agency (IEMA) has a list of licensed radon reduction contractors (mitigators) that can fix your radon problem.

IEMA recommends hiring a licensed mitigator because they have the proper equipment, specialized training and technical skills needed. Using a professional can offer peace of mind. Don't let radon be a problem in your house.

The smallest deed is better than the best intention.

- Road to Success



Where do you get information about radon?



To learn more about radon call the IEMA toll free line at 1-800-325-1245 or visit us online at www.state.il.us/iema. For more information on radon, check out www.TakeActionOnRadon.uiuc.edu, or if you are in McLean County, call the McLean County Radon Awareness Program at 309-438-5295.

"Never doubt that a thoughtful group of individuals can change the world, indeed, it is the only thing that ever has."

- Margaret Mead

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